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UNION COUNTY MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO DISTRIBUTING CRACK COCAINE

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that **GROVER MCGUIRE**, age 23, of 720 West Carlisle Street, Morganfield, Kentucky, in Union County, **pled guilty** on December 19, 2006, to possession with intent to distribute and distribution of cocaine and crack cocaine in Union County. **McGuire** admitted that on three separate occasions, October 6, October 12, and November 4, 2005, he sold a total of 523.86 grams of crack cocaine, worth approximately \$52,000.00 on the street. The maximum potential penalties are life imprisonment, an \$8,000,000 fine, and at least five years supervised release.

McGuire's prosecution resulted from a cooperative effort on the part of federal, state, and local law enforcement officers in the Union County area. McGuire was identified during a 2003 joint investigation which resulted in the conviction of 10 persons from the Morganfield area on charges relating to drug trafficking and firearms possession. After his arrest on November 4, 2005, for selling crack cocaine, McGuire fled while on state bond and was arrested in Tennessee in July 2006.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Daniel P. Kinnicutt, and was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Kentucky State Police, the Union County Sheriff's Office, and the Morganfield Police Department.

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The plea was entered before Joseph H. McKinley, Jr., Judge, United States District Court, Owensboro, Kentucky.

McGuire is scheduled to be sentenced before Judge Joseph H. McKinley, Jr. on March 15, 2007, at 9:30 a.m., in Owensboro, Kentucky.

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